Phasing out wooden berths with cushioned berths

1919. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the progress made in phasing out wooden berths with that of cushioned berths in various trains in the country ;

(b) what is the target date fixed in completing the phasing out programme totally ; and

(c) what is the total cost of financial commitment in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD) : (a) Railways have programmed to provide cushioned berths in sleeper coaches so far 1486 BG.&MG. sleeper coaches with wooden berths have been fitted with cushioned berths.

(b) This work is expected to be completed by 1990.

(c) Total cost of conversion is about Rs. 15 Crores.

Enrolment under Adult Education Programme in Andhra Pradesh

1920. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of persons enrolled under the Adult Education Programme during the last three years, year-wise, in Andhra Pradesh ;

(b) what target has been fixed for the year 1989-90 ;

(c) what are the details of the funds released to the State of Andhra Pradesh for the purpose during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) whether there is any proposal to increase the amount in 1989-90; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI) : (a) and (c) Number of persons enrolled and funds released under the Adult Education Programme in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years are as under :—

Year	Persons enrolled (in lakh)	Funds released (in lakh)
1986-87 . . .	2.32	276.69
1987-88 . . .	2.33	311.22
1988-89 . . .	2.34	289.19

(b) The target for enrolment for providing functional literacy to adult learners during the year 1989-90 is 9·68 lakhs.

(d) and (e) Funds are released on year to year basis depending on performance and availability of funds.

Central assistance to Sanskrit colleges in Andhra Pradesh

1921. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details of the sanskrit degree colleges functioning in Andhra Pradesh with the assistance of the Central Government;

(b) what is the amount of grants made by the Central Government for the said colleges during the last three years, year-wise;